

Births, Marriages, Deaths

DEATH
LEE—In this city, on May 20, 1900, William James, eldest son of the late James Lee, funeral from his mother's residence, 82 Byron avenue, on Tuesday, at 3 p.m.; service at 230. Funeral private.
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Meetings.

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KILWINNING LODGE, NO. 64, A. F. AND A. M.—An emergency meeting of Kilwinning Lodge, No. 64, A. F. and A. M., will be held at Corinthian Lodge room, East London, on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at 7 o'clock p.m., sharp, for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late Bro. Wm. Mercer. Brethren of sister lodges will be most cordially invited. B. S. Murray, W.M.; John Overall, Sec.

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Notice to Creditors—Notice

is hereby given pursuant to R. S. O. Chap. 123, Sec. 23, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of Major John Williams, late of the city of London, in the county of Middlesex, Inland Revenue Officer, who died on or about the 24th day of June, A. D. 1899, at his said city of London, are required to deliver or send by post prepaid to the undersigned Executor of the will of the said John Williams, No. 1 Waverley Place, London, Ont., on or before the 5th day of June, A. D. 1900, a statement in writing of their addresses and full particulars of their claims and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them. And notice is further given that after the said 5th day of June, A. D. 1900, the undersigned Executor of the estate and effects of the said John Williams, will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall have been received, and the said Executor will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim or claims notice shall not have been received. Fred M. Williams, No. 1 Waverley Place, Central avenue, London, Executor. London, May 1, 1900. 63c

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Regarding the Relief of Mafeking's Brave Defenders.

The Story That Kruger Made Peace Proposals Denied.

A Boer Commandant Offered to Make Terms—"Unconditional Surrender" the Answer—Contradictory Accounts Regarding the Relief of Mafeking—One States That the Entire Boer Force About the Town Was Captured—The Queen Expresses Her Gratification—Boisterous Jubilation Ends in Rioting—Buller and Rundle Continue Their Successful Movements.

London, May 21—2:22 p.m.—The following dispatch from Sir Alfred Milner, the British high commissioner in South Africa, to the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, was received at 11:30 p.m. today:

"Barton telegraphs from Taungos that Mafeking was relieved May 17. (Signed) Milner."

London, May 21—2:20 p.m.—The war office confirms the dispatch that Mafeking has been relieved.

BULLER HEARD FROM. London, May 21—2 p.m.—The war office has received the following message from Lord Roberts: "Kroonstad, May 21.—Buller reports that his advance will be delayed for a few days on account of the way in which the railway has been destroyed."

LADYBRAND OCCUPIED BY BRITISH. "Rundle reports that Ladybrand has been occupied."

"Hunter is pushing up the railway with supplies for the Mafeking garrison, and is arranging a hospital train for the conveyance of the sick and wounded to Kimberley."

"Methuen has left Hoopstad to co-operate with this force."

KRUGER HAS NOT SUEW FOR PEACE. London, May 21—2:25 p.m.—There is no truth in the report that President Kruger has sued for peace, and no communication from him on the subject is expected in the immediate future.

THE QUEEN GRATIFIED. London, May 20—4:15 a.m.—Last night's court circular contains the following: "The Queen received on Friday night with the greatest gratification and thankfulness: the news of the relief of Mafeking after a heroic defense of over seven months by Col. Baden-Powell and troops under his command."

This is the first official intimation of the relief of Mafeking, and it would not have been made had any doubts existed in the official mind as to the correctness of the news.

A dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Kroonstad, 3 p.m., today, says: "No official intimation has yet been received, but Reuter states that the relief of Mafeking has been effected."

DEWEY OFFERS TO SURRENDER. London, May 20.—A special dispatch from Kroonstad says that General Dewey has sent word that he is prepared to surrender conditionally with his entire command.

London, May 21.—It now appears that the Dewey who was not the well-known General Dewey, but Com-mandant Dewey. He stipulated that his men should be allowed to return to their farms. Lord Roberts replied that the surrender must be unconditional.

Want Peace.

WILL MAKE OVERTURES. New York, May 20.—A dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez, dated May 19, says: "The Transvaal Government decided to send a message today to the president of the republic, demanding a cessation of hostilities, demanding a guarantee that the lives of all colonials fighting with the Boers shall be spared, and stating that unless these terms are granted the mines will be blown up and Johannesburg destroyed."

The government has been for some time considering the destruction of the mines. President Kruger and the executive council were against the proposition, but strong popular pressure was brought to bear in favor of it. President Kruger has had a dream that the war would be ended within three weeks, which he firmly believes. There is much uncertainty in Pretoria, where Kruger is the only strong hand. The Boer president told me yesterday that he would fight until

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Ingogo was the scene of a battle in first war of independence, and Majuba is close at hand. The extent of the damage done to the tunnel is not yet known with precision. Buller's march has been unexpectedly rapid, and his forces are now in a position to turn the rocky defile which has always been regarded as impregnable against assault.

Volskrust, on the Transvaal border, May 17, via Lorenzo Marquez, May 18—5 p.m.—The large tunnel at Laing's Nek, which was 2,213 feet long, and which afforded the only means of railway communication between Natal and the Transvaal, has just been completely destroyed by the Boers, who blew it up with dynamite. A very large quantity of the explosive was used, and its effect was terrific. The shock was felt for a great distance from the tunnel, which is now completely choked up from end to end with huge masses of earth and rock, which will require months and great engineering skill to remove. All the commandoes are occupying fine strategic positions, and feel confident that they can easily repel any attempt by Gen. Buller to enter the Transvaal by way of Laing's Nek.

A dispatch from Pietermaritzburg says: The occupation of Newcastle by Gen. Buller has caused great indignation. The magistrate and his staff, the mayor and the corporation have left for Newcastle. Many feeling Boers have gone to the Orange Free State by Muller's Pass. Others have gone to Wakkerstroom. Most of them, however, have gone north as a disorganized mob.

Baden-Powell.

SHOULD BE MADE A GENERAL. London, May 19.—Replying to "The Imperial Forces" at the American Press fund dinner this evening, Col. Lambton, of H. M. S. Powerful, said: "I happened to be at Cape Town when Mafeking was first invested. I heard the opinion freely expressed that it was impossible for the town to hold out a trimestre. For such a gallant defense Baden-Powell should be made a general."

Speaking at the dinner of the Cambridge University Club tonight, at which the Australian federation delegates were the principal guests, John Morley said: "The public imagination has been excited to the unparalleled degree at the triumphant ending of one of the most striking episodes of the war. Differ as we may about the policy of the war, everyone recognizes with something deeper than admiration the heroic sense of personal and public duty which animated and inspired the fortitude and endurance, the patience and courage of the men of whom all are thinking today."

Too Boisterous.

REJOICING TURNS TO RIOTING. The boisterous rejoicings over the news from Mafeking have become riots in parts of London, Aberdeen and Belfast, and elsewhere in the United Kingdom. In the Finchley district of suburban London a mob stoned a railway station master's house and smashed the windows of a draper's shop, setting the building on fire also, whether by accident or design it is not yet known. Two clerks were injured. The house of a Boer sympathizer at Harlesden was attacked by a large crowd, and the windows were shattered. The police charged great numbers of eggs. Numerous arrests were made, and the police reserves were called out. Rioting took place in Aberdeen from 7 to 10 o'clock Saturday evening around a hall where a "stop the war" meeting was being addressed by Mr. Cronwright-Schreiner, husband of Olive Schreiner.

A crowd of students and others tried to storm the hall and to break down the doors. The foot police were unable to cope with the disturbers, and sent for the mounted police, who

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Old World Topics

Touched Upon by Cable Correspondents—Englishmen Forget All Else but Mafeking—The Situation Reviewed—Turn of Events Fortunate for Salisbury—Sad Tales From India—France in a State of Political Uncertainty.

London, May 20.—Isaac N. Ford's latest cable, filed at 6 o'clock this morning, is without additional official confirmation of the relief of Mafeking, though concurrent confirmation is treated by him as positive proof of the raising of the siege. He says:

No official news of the relief of Mafeking has yet been received at the war office, but from more than one source it is reported that the siege was raised last Wednesday. The columns of the newspapers are again filled with accounts of national rejoicings in London and the provinces. But, apart from Gen. Buller's dispatch, there is very little fresh intelligence from the front this morning.

It is reported that a British column is advancing on the Transvaal from Zululand, but no details are forthcoming.

Gen. Buller was on Friday at Trompsburg, 28 miles southeast of Winburg. His march has been through an exceedingly difficult country, but he does not appear to have met with any opposition.

London has been waving the flag all these hours without waiting for official confirmation of the good news from Mafeking, but the suspicion that President Kruger might be beguiling the British Empire was in the air. The relief of the town which does not mean the relief of the rolling columns holding high carnival in the streets.

BULLETINS FROM THE RELIEF FORCE.

The chief additions to the stock of public knowledge come from Cape Town, where details respecting the organization of the relief column were at last allowed to pass the censor. Bulletins have been received from the relief force from time to time, and there was no opposition until it reached Kraaipan, and even there resistance was feeble. The column advanced at the rate of twenty miles a day, keeping to the west of the railway through the Vryburg district, and halting on May 11 at Maritzburg, 25 miles south of Mafeking.

THE BOERS' LAST ATTACK.
As the Boer assault was made the following day, Col. Baden-Powell was following upon his own resources for repulsing the last desperate effort of the enemy.

The relief column entered Mafeking on Tuesday or Wednesday, after meeting with little resistance. One account, alleged to be from the relief column, speaks of an attack in strong force upon it, after which the Boers bolted, fighting a rear guard action for some time.

PLUMER CARRIES THE SUPPLIES.

These details are meager, but it is evident that the function of the relief column was to attack the besieging force and disperse it, rather than to open the railway and provision the starving town. Its advance was closely timed with Roberts' movement northward, and with Hunter's attack on Fourteen Streams, and under cover of these larger operations it escaped observation, and having been organized and equipped with special reference to mobility, it pressed forward with all possible dispatch.

The retreat of the Boers will enable Col. Plumer to enter Mafeking from the north with additional supplies, and the railway will speedily be repaired from Salisbury, where Gen. Carrington, with the Australian bushmen and Canadian artillery and other forces, will be in a position to cooperate with the Mafeking garrison.

A SKILLFUL MOVEMENT.

Whether the leader of the relief column was Col. Mahon, who was Kitchener's trusted lieutenant in the Sudan, or some other officer not yet named, the main credit for the delivery of Mafeking belongs to Gen. Roberts and Gen. Buller, who planned the movement with amazing skill and prevision. The success of this relief expedition is another proof of the mastery of generalship which has transformed the military situation in South Africa. There was a disturbing report during the day to the effect that Col. Baden-Powell had been dangerously wounded, but it was not confirmed from any trustworthy source.

Gen. Roberts' advance is not yet reported, but his cavalry is doing effective work in scouring the districts toward the Vaal.

REJOICING.

Columns might be written about the scenes of public rejoicing in London yesterday. Business was virtually suspended, and the rollicking crowds were in possession until midnight. The National Anthem was sung by 5,000 voices in the stock exchange. There was a service of thanksgiving in St. Paul's, and the Abbey was crowded in the afternoon. Baden-Powell's mother's house, near Hyde Park corner, was surrounded hour after hour

with throngs, cheering lustily for the hero of Mafeking. Every shop front was aflame with the national colors, and at night Pall Mall, the Strand, Piccadilly and Whitehall were brilliantly illuminated. Hour after hour there was high revel in the streets; every man, woman and child carried a flag, and there was a saturnalia of practical joking and high spirits. Even Lady's Day was dull and prosaic in comparison with Mafeking Day, with its multitudes of merry-makers, its street parades, musicians and flag-bearers, marching to drum beat and bugle call; its rollicking choruses at every corner, and its pandemonium of madcap hoodlumism and holiday sport. The celebration was a spontaneous outbreak of public rejoicing, and was a most amazing revelation of the fervor of metropolitan patriotism.

ANNEXATION OF THE FREE STATE.

The same correspondent predicts the annexation of the Free State by proclamation of Lord Roberts, upon the Queen's Birthday, and discusses at some length the strategy of that commander. He says: "It is believed in influential circles that Lord Roberts intends to issue a proclamation of annexation on the Queen's Birthday, and that the movements of the next few days will be conducted with that end in view. When Bethlehem and Heilbron are occupied, the conquest of the Free State will be completed, and a proclamation of annexation will be a convenient substitute for a conventional treaty of peace. With Methuen at Hoopstad, Broadwood at Lindley, and Rundle marching on eastward, from the Winburg-Ladybrand line, there is cumulative evidence of Roberts' plan to annex the Free State in a manner as unique as his method of celebrating Majuba Day."

ROBERTS' MARVELOUS STRATEGY.
In speaking of Roberts' strategy, Mr. Ford says: Roberts' strategy is recognized as suitable for the emergency. The defense of Mafeking is a feat of arms which appeals to national pride, and it is matched by the brilliant conduct of the small relief expedition, starting at a moment when the Boer commandos could not be massed against it, and it arrived at the appointed time. The clearance of the Free State and the advance toward the Vaal have been carried out with equal certainty of judgment, and the strategy was even more scientific than the opening of Roberts' campaign in the direction of Kimberley and Bloemfontein.

SPENSER WILKINSON'S VIEWS.

Spenser Wilkinson, in reviewing the situation in South Africa, says: "Whether the Boer stands south of the Vaal, on the Vaal, at Pretoria or at Lydenburg, they must be crushed, for they have only between 20,000 and 30,000 men, and Lord Roberts has, counting his own column and those of Gen. Buller, Hunter and Methuen, no less than 90,000 men, all of whom shortly will be ready to invade the Transvaal positions. At the date of the last telegrams received Lord Roberts was at Kromstad with his mounted troops spread out some forty or fifty miles on either flank. Gen. Buller was at Lydenburg, and Gen. Buller and his division were at Lydenburg, and Gen. Buller and his division were at Lydenburg, and Gen. Buller and his division were at Lydenburg."

MAFEEKING THE ONLY TOPIC.

London, May 20.—Mafeking, the splendid stand of its heroic defenders and their timely relief, formed the sole topic of conversation here, the other events of the week being entirely swept out of the memory of the people of England. In fact, they have well-nigh forgotten Lord Roberts and the main object of the war, so overwhelming is their rejoicing over the deliverance of the garrison of the little African village. Neither Kimberley nor Ladysmith appealed to their sympathies as did Mafeking, and it will probably be days before the country will settle down to a sober appreciation of the struggle still going on on the African plains, and which still presents serious military problems.

THE ELEVENTH HOUR.

There is a great demand for the car-

toon published in Punch entitled "The Eleventh Hour," in which Col. Baden-Powell is drawing the attention of Mafeking, depicted as a man-faced woman, to a telegram based on a real message. "Hold on till the 18th," Roberts," Col. Baden-Powell is represented as saying. "All right. Cheer up, Roberts is a man of his word."

SALISBURY IN LUCK.

The successful turn that affairs have taken in South Africa is most fortunate for Lord Salisbury, as his weakest point, his foreign administration, had threatened to become an all too prominent topic. The news that Russia had secured a coal depot in Corea, as announced in a dispatch to the Times from Peking, has raised a storm of indignation, and many of the Conservative organs have declared this is merely another unfortunate instance of the premier's incapacity to protect British interests in the far east. Among those who study Chinese questions the belief obtains that Russia's latest move is a direct breach of contract with and a blow against Great Britain and Japan, which brings these nations face to face with a grave crisis which pusillanimous diplomacy will neither end nor mend. The Globe, for instance, openly advocates immediate sending a powerful fleet to Corea and bluntly demanding that Russia forego the advantages she is alleged to have secured in contravention with the agreements of 1881. However, though the important organs are in a bad humor over the matter, it is said on good authority that Lord Salisbury has much to keen an appreciation of Great Britain's present troubles to take any hasty action in the impetuous future, and that he only contemplates diplomatic inquiries and passive aid to Japan in the protests she will doubtless make.

THE FAMINE IN INDIA.

The secretary of state for India, Lord George Hamilton, has granted the Associated Press permission to inspect the unpublished official correspondence received up to date in his department dealing with the Indian famine. The mass of reports and statistics in the last mail one from the hosts of civil servants who are striving desperately to stay the onward march of the devastating evils that threaten to sap the life of India almost baffles condensation. And not only is the picture revealed by reason of the very strength of terse verbiage and official reticence a wealth of pathos and world suffering which columns of vivid description could scarcely convey. What, for instance, could better tell the tale of sorrow than the following report of the commissioner of Kherwar, in Rajpootana, with careful regard for the regulations governing communications he abruptly commences: "Kherwar: Crops—Practically nil. Water—Hardly any. Cattle—All dead. Fodder—Nil. People—Thrifting class dead. People with small means are at the end of their resources and either on relief works or lying. Crime—Abnormal." With a pathetic frankness found in few of these gruesome documents submitted to the Associated Press, nobody has tried desperately to keep the bazaar open to all, but as I have only 600 rupees, lent me by the merwar at Darbar, with which to purchase grain, I have miserably failed, and hundreds have come to me daily for permission to buy and have been refused."

BRITISH ADVANCING MONEY.

However, Sir Charles Bernard, head of the India office bureau of revenue, tells the Associated Press that the British are advancing to these states loans wherever feasible, and says they will in for their full share of the relief sent from the United States. From those commissioners of native states who are daily able to advise instead of ordering the native officials to come most distressing news as to the conditions of their territories, not yet hinted at in the English newspapers. But throughout the harrowing documents are lines of hopefulness born of the servant such a makes the difference between famine and pestilence. One resident of Rajpootana reports that the death of Sir John tells that only 148 persons died of starvation in May.

THE DEATH RECORD.

In the course of a cheery report the resident of Western Rajpootana expresses regrets that he is obliged to record 6,667 deaths as occurring in the famine camps, hospitals and poor-houses in the comparatively small state of Marwar during March, while another resident supplies this ghastly record of wholesale mortality by remarking that at Dhanuera, out of 1,000 persons congregated around the relief works, 1,119 have died between February 22 and March 25, and this has no bearing on the inroads of the plague or cholera. From the latter cause 61 died at Naghpore during March. Capt. Grant, on famine duty at Marwar, reports that the majority of fatalities were not preceded by any great illness. Old persons weak and with oedema of the feet, sit at their relief works all day long, draw their pay, eat a bit of food, and die during the night. Nothing can be done for them. They will not go to the hospital. While plague and cholera add to the evils of the famine, there are still other evils frequently mentioned in the dispatches, which consist chiefly of the Dacoits, who are raiding the few cattle are left and the refugees, who to quote the commissioner of Kherwar, are often from the distant states, have abandoned their children.

FRANCE IN A FLURRY.

The unexpected result of the Paris municipal elections, so unfavorable to the government, has thrown France into a state of political uncertainty, which the reassembling of the chamber of deputies on Tuesday will help clear up. The opening debate will show how the home feeling in Paris influenced the position of the ministry in the proceedings at Palais Bourbon. Prior to the adjournment of the session it was indicated that the cabinet's hold on the chamber was far from secure, and the snap on the face received may be followed by a coup de grace from the deputies. In any case the fight in the municipal arena is only the curtain raiser to a more deadly struggle between the Nationalists and the Ministerialists within parliament. The Nationalists, encouraged by their victory, are determined to try a fall with Waldeck-Rousseau at the earliest opportunity. The Nationalists are certain of the support of the malcontent Republicans, headed by ex-Premier Meline, who are incensed at the socialist tint given the ministerial policy by the predominant influence of M. Millerand, the Minister of Commerce, and also by the gov-

ernment's partiality towards the Dreyfus party.

MARCHAND WANTS A NEW MISSION.
Major Marchand, the hero of Fashoda, is eager to win fresh laurels. He is announced to have requested the colonial office to entrust him with a new mission in Africa. Major Marchand, since his return to France, has been holding himself in the background, in obedience to the desires of the government, and has modestly refrained from accepting opportunities to be run as a second Boulanger. He wishes to go to the region of Lake Tchad to organize the fruits of the recent French expedition and to put French influence in South Africa on a more secure basis.

LAKE ERIE FREE OF ICE.

Cleveland, May 21.—Capt. McAlpin, master of the steamer City of Erie, which came in from Buffalo Friday, reported that he encountered no ice whatever at the lower end of the lake, and that he made the run on schedule time. Captain Smith, of the City of Buffalo, made the same report at the other end of the route. It was the first trip that the big steamers did not have to check down on account of ice.

MILLIONS OF BATS.

Niles, Mich., May 21.—Millions of bats fill the air every evening on Main street. The old Reading House in this city was overhauled a year or so ago with the intention of opening a fine hotel, and Chicago parties became interested, but the project fell through and the building was closed. A huge chimney was constructed, and since then the bats have occupied it. They multiply rapidly.

A POPULAR MISTAKE.

Regarding Remedies for Dyspepsia and Indigestion.
The national disease of Americans is indigestion, or, in its chronic form, dyspepsia, and for the very reason that it is so common many people neglect taking proper treatment for what may come to be a chronic trouble, when as a matter of fact, indigestion lays the foundation for many incurable diseases. No person with a vigorous, healthy stomach will fall a victim to consumption, to cancer, to kidney diseases and heart troubles date their beginning from poor digestion; thin, nervous people are really so because their stomachs are out of gear; weary, languid, faded-out women owe their condition to imperfect digestion.

When nearly every person you meet is afflicted with weak digestion it is not surprising that nearly every secret patent medicine on the market claims to be a cure for dyspepsia, and a score of other troubles, when, in fact, as Dr. Werthler says, there is but one genuine dyspepsia cure which is perfectly safe and reliable, and, moreover, this remedy is not a patent medicine, but it is a scientific combination of pure pepsin (free from animal matter, vegetable essences, fruit salts and bismuth). It is sold by druggists under the name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. No extravagant claims are made for them, but for indigestion or any stomach trouble, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are far ahead of any remedy yet discovered. They act on the food eaten, no digging is necessary, simply eat all the wholesome food you want, and these tablets will digest it. A cure results, because all the stomach needs is a rest, which Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets give by doing the work of digestion.

BLEW OUT THE GAS.

Port Huron, Mich., May 21.—Ira Goodman and Andrew Bowen, two young men hailing from Lakeport, but working in this city, went over to Sarnia to help celebrate the relief of Mafeking, and both had an exceedingly narrow escape from death. They missed the last boat, went to bed at a hotel at 1 o'clock Saturday morning, and before retiring either blew out the gas or opened the valve after having turned it off. When called at 6 o'clock they were found unconscious, and were at first thought to be beyond hope, but by resorting to heroic medical treatment were successfully revived. Both victims are still very sick men.

Household Remedies.

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"I take my pen in hand to inform you of the great cure effected by your medicine. Some time ago my husband was taken down with lung fever. It came on him with a chill in the night. It happened I had a supply of the medicine in the house at the time. I rubbed his chest and back with the Radway's Ready Relief. I gave him a teaspoonful in a little hot water to drink, to help warm and stimulate him, and in about half an hour three of the Radway's Pills. By the time the doctor came the next morning he was much better. The doctor wanted to know what I had been doing. I told him. He said that the pills were good. Another case I had was with my little nephew that was staying with me. He was taken with the croup. I rubbed his chest, throat and back with the Ready Relief, gave him doses about an hour apart; followed it by a dose of pills. By the next day he was about all right. I have been using this medicine with my family and my neighbors, for about 20 years, and never knew it to fail when the directions were carefully followed. I would feel gratefully obliged to you to please forward me 'False and True,' one of your publications, for which I enclose stamp, for I absolutely need it at once, if you please. You are at liberty to make use of this testimony as you may think proper. Dr. Radway, a friend of mine, has been using your resolvent for scrofula and skin eruptions for years. She is improving nicely. She said she would like one of your publications, for which I enclose stamp. If you would please forward it to me for her. Yours respectfully, 'MRS. ELIZA DUNN, 'Jacksonville, Morgan County, Ill.'"

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Why the Relief Thrills the Empire.

The news of the relief of Mafeking sent a thrill of joy through the empire which was out of all proportion to the size or importance to the place. This can be explained from many points of view. The relief of this little town was a task upon which the British people and the army had set their hearts; the longer the gallant little garrison held out the more it became a point of honor that they should not be compelled to surrender at the last. But as this small frontier town was so far away from the base of operations, the speedy relief of it was not easy, even after the tide of military success began in all quarters to flow in favor of the British.

The name of Mafeking will live in the military history of this empire as the first British town in this strange war to be surrounded by the enemy, and as the last to be relieved by its friends. Even when there were other points of greater interest, as Ladysmith and Kimberley, the public always kept an eye on Mafeking, and recently this besieged town has almost monopolized interest and attention.

The siege of this tiny place shows perhaps the tenacity of the Boers who hung round it like a pack of hungry wolves for seven months, though, as it was near to their source of supplies, and they were able to change their forces, that was not such a great task for them. But it has certainly shown to the world a great specimen of British pluck and resourcefulness. This town, eight or nine hundred miles away from the sea, situated, so to speak, in the heart of the enemy's country, has been defended with wonderful skill, perseverance, courage and hope.

The material importance might seem to be slight, but the moral influence was great. The natives watched with interest the few brave men who determined to keep the British flag flying at that distant outpost, and the effort to maintain the old flag at last became a spectacle in which the whole civilized world was interested. This object lesson in firmness and hopeful determination will have a lasting influence in Africa, and will help in creating a lasting peace. There are many other lessons to be learned from the siege of Mafeking, such as the difficulty of attack under modern conditions, the weakness of the Boers in attack, and so on; but the one thing of interest and importance to the world is the intense loyalty of Britons to the flag which for them represents freedom and righteousness, and their determination to suffer the extreme pains rather than haul down the symbol of the Queen's sovereignty.

SOWENS PORRIDGE

The Old Scotch Dish on Which Mafeking Subsisted.

The London Daily News says: With regard to the statement by the Daily News' Mafeking correspondent, in Thursday's issue, that sowens (or sowens porridge, as he calls it), has become the staple dish of the besieged town, it may be of interest, says a correspondent, to know how this old Scotch dish is made. After the oatmeal is extracted from the oat all the remaining part, husks, bran and fine oat flour, is soaked in water for several days, during which time it sours and slightly ferments. The whole is then sifted and strained, the water poured off, and a fine white sediment left. This constitutes the sowens, and it is boiled with water or milk, and eaten with milk or syrup. In Mafeking, where there are no meal mills, I suppose the whole oat would be soaked. It is a highly nutritious dish, of a slightly sourish taste, and is often recommended by doctors as a light article of diet in cases of indigestion, etc. In Scotland the night par excellence for sowens is Hogmanay, the last night of the old year, where it is the staple supper dish in most farm kitchens in the north. There are also to exist a sentiment in favor of splashing other people's windows with the liquid on that particular occasion, which, however, is dying out. — London Daily News.

BIG THING FOR COLLINGWOOD

The Cramps Will Establish a Big Steel Plant There.

Toronto, May 21.—Letters of incorporation have been granted to the Cramp Ontario Steel Company, Limited. The capital stock is placed at \$5,000,000, divided into shares of \$100 each. Among the incorporators are Charles D. Cramp, late of the Wm. Cramp & Sons Shipbuilding Company, of Philadelphia. This company has been formed for the purpose of erecting blast furnace and steel works at Collingwood. The town has granted a cash bonus of \$115,000 and a free site of fifty acres on the harbor, together with other privileges as to taxation and water front on the harbor. It is understood that the arrangements have been made in the United States for the required capital for the company, and that work will be pushed during the coming summer. The best engineering talent in the United States has been secured for the erection of the plant, which will be one of the latest modern type, and will consist of a blast furnace of 250 tons daily capacity, casting machines, three 30-ton open hearth furnaces to be operated on the basic system, so as to take care if necessary of the Canadian phosphoric ores; also a blooming mill and a large rolling mill capable of producing steel rails, structural steel for buildings and shipbuilding purposes, and steel sheets for shipbuilding, bridges, tank and boiler purposes. The company will also produce nickel-steel ingots and castings, thus taking advantage of the market offered for this class of goods by the British admiralty and fostered by recent legislation of the Ontario Parliament.

lament. The company has secured a promise of sufficient first-class Ontario iron ore to keep it in operation for five years. The new steel shipyard at Collingwood, it is understood, will take at least one-third of the product of the plant annually. The moving spirit in the shipyard is Capt. Alex. McDougall, the inventor of the whale-back type of freight carrier on the great lakes.

It is understood also that the company are securing 5,000 acres of coal lands in the coking region of Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and that they will make their own coke, so as to be independent of the American combines with respect to fuel. The company will also prospect for natural gas, which exists in that district. The town of Collingwood furnishes better facilities for assembling of raw products than any other point on the great lakes, and was chosen by them largely for that purpose, as can be seen alone on the ore from Lake Superior and fuel from Ohio to any point on Lake Ontario would have amounted on their output to something like \$30,000 per year.

FRICTION IN THE M. E. CHURCH

Anti-Catholic Law Troubles the Conference—Colored Baptists Have No Use for McKinley.

Chicago, May 21.—There will be an exciting and prolonged contest on the floor of the Methodist Episcopal conference before the majority report of the temperance committee censuring President McKinley for his attitude on the enforcement of the anti-catholic law will be accepted, if it is accepted. The supporters of the minority report, from which all reference to the president has been eliminated, claim that the conference will refuse to become a party to any censure of the president, either as chief executive of the United States or as a member of the Methodist Church.

The thirteen members of the committee who signed the minority report, has been busy with the members of the conference in an effort to secure support in their refusal to criticize the president. The action of the majority is said to have caused a sense of embarrassment among the leaders of the conference who will be called upon to take a stand on the issue which the submission of the two reports will raise.

Letters, telegrams and appeals on the subject have been pouring in upon the members of the committee from all parts of the country since the committee decided upon its report. A number of these communications appeal to the members not to recede from the position taken by the committee, while others present equally earnest appeals to the conference not to go on record as criticising the administration.

CLEVELAND VS. MCKINLEY. Hartford, Conn., May 21.—The colonial Baptist Association of Southern New England (colored), comprising 30 churches in Connecticut and Massachusetts, which is in convention here adopted resolutions which criticize President McKinley and the administration, because of the treatment of the colored men in the south, denounce imperialism, laud Grover Cleveland as a man who did his duty, and deplore the conditions which have increased race prejudice and emboldened the lawless factions of the country who are now seeking to mould public sentiment with which to nullify the fifteenth amendment to the constitution, which would disfranchise the entire negro population. Alluding to the Booker family outrages these resolutions state the blood of the father and child is upon the skirts of the present administration.

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The Woodstock and Ingersoll Gravel Road Company have lost the opportunity of selling their road to the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company. The company has now nearly completed the purchase of a rod of land from the farmers on the south side of the road, at \$75 per acre.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on the advice I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believe it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, and I was reduced by a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me good."

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Lot 4--504 yards Linen Suitings, just the thing for skirts and waists, fine quality. To clear at 5c yard.

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Lot 6--1,147 yards best 32-inch Indigo Blue Prints, small designs, dots, sprigs and stripes. Special to clear at 5c yard.

Lot 7--463 yards only Fine Muslins, 29 inches wide, various patterns, regular 5c. To clear at 2½c yard.

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1 piece 46-inch Bicycle Tweed, 46 yards in end, Brown Cheviot Effect; regular 90c. To clear at per yard..... 50c

4 ends 27-inch Golf Skirtings, 4 5-8 yards each, Plaid with Cheviot back; regular price \$1.50. To clear at per yard..... 65c

14 ends Tweed Suiting lengths, 1 3-4 to 5 yards, 54 inches wide, lengths suitable for misses' skirts and ladies' skirts and suits; regular price \$1.00 and \$1.25. To clear at per yard..... 65c

5 suits Stripe Worsted, 5 yards each, 50 inches, in pastel, green, blue and gray; regular price \$1.25. To clear at per yard..... 65c

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TWO BOYS RUN OVER

Chatham, Ont., May 21.—A lad, who was playing about the C. P. R. tracks Thursday, was run over and both legs seriously injured. The lad is the 5-year-old son of Drayman Schevis, of the G. T. R. freight department. He attempted to board a moving train at Princess street and fell beneath the wheels. Young Pasion, aged 10, was run over and his leg severed at the Center street crossing the same day.

MANGLED TO DEATH.

Detroit, May 21.—Laying across the M.C.R. tracks at Twenty-fourth street, with face upturned, the dead and mangled body of Gateman William Irwin was found Saturday midnight. Engine No. 205 had just passed over his body, and it was not until the big machine was clear of his corpse that George and David Grant, two switchmen, noticed the dead man. How he came to be on the track is not known at present.

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SHOT HIMSELF.

Winnipeg, Man., May 19.—A young man, Joseph Richot, of Grand Point, Ont., on Friday shot himself through the heart. Whether the shooting was accidental or not is not known.

MANITOBA CROPS.

Winnipeg, May 21.—The C. P. R. has received several reports on crop conditions throughout the districts touched by its lines. The reports show that rain fell at Emerson, Melita, Clearwater, Kilmory, Lander, and brief showers at other points within this territory. The crop is shown to be in good position at nearly all places. On the Souris and Pipestone branches the reports state that wheat is up four or five inches, and is looking healthy and of even growth.

NEW WRINKLE IN COMPASSES.

St. Joseph, May 21.—Capt. Stewart, of the steamer City of Milwaukee, announces a new invention in a marine compass with a registering clock attachment. On a slip of paper which goes through the machine, the slightest deviation from the course is registered, with the time thereof, and in this manner the exact position of a boat may be determined during any instant of the voyage. Capt. Stewart claims the invention cost him \$5,000 and eight years' hard study. He believes it will be useful in admiralty litigation.

DROPPED DEAD.

Detroit, May 21.—A man was seen to stagger and fall at the corner of Lafayette avenue and Wayne street, on Saturday night, and was soon identified as Barclay Smith, a pioneer spice merchant, who had been in business at 177-179 West Larned street for the last score or more years. It was found that life had left his body. He was 55

years old, was born in Scotland, and went to Detroit about 23 years ago. He leaves a widow.

"The Strength of Twenty Men."

When Shakespeare employed this phrase he referred, of course, to healthy, able-bodied men. If he had lived in these days he would have known that men and women who are not healthy may become so by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine, by making the blood rich and pure and giving good appetite and perfect digestion, imparts vitality and strength to the system.

The non-irritating cathartic—Hood's Pills.

This is the worst season London jewellers have known for years. Orders are few and far between, and but for the inevitable wedding presents their business would be at a standstill.

Blown to Atoms.

The old idea that the body sometimes needs a powerful drastic, purgative pill has been exploded; for Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are perfectly harmless, gently stimulate liver and bowels to expel poisonous matter, cleanse the system and absolutely cure Constipation and Sick Headache. Only 25c at W. T. Strong & Co.'s drug store.

During the year 1899 the United States issued about 2,500,000 of 2-cent postage stamps, which, if placed end to end, would reach a distance of nearly 40,000 miles.

LAXA-CARA cathartic tablets are an old and well recommended remedy for constipation and evils arising from disordered stomach and impure blood. At druggists, 25 cents.

John Harrison, of Dereham, has received the sad intelligence of the death of his son Fred by drowning at Toledo, Ohio, while fishing. Deceased, who was 22 years of age, and unmarried, had been employed at the Noxon works at Ingersoll, last summer, and was an enthusiastic bicyclist.

The First Methodist Church of St. Thomas has adopted the coupon system of contributing. Each contributor is supplied with a sheet of 52 coupons, upon which is marked their number, the amount they promise to give, and date for each Sunday in the year. By this plan the holder of coupons can at any time tell how his account stands, the coupon being a weekly reminder as to whether he is in arrears or not.

One Minute Cure for Toothache.

Toothache, the most common and one of the most painful afflictions, is instantly cured by the application of Polson's Nervine. Polson's Nervine is a combination of the most powerful anodynes, and it strikes at once to the nerves, soothing them and affording in one minute total relief from pain. Mothers try it for your children's toothache. Nervine is sold in 10 and 25 cent bottles by all druggists.

Ohio women took active part in the recent contest for members of the board of education, for which offices they are electors, and were in many cases candidates.

ANGOSTURA BITTERS, the world-renowned appetizer and invigorator. Used now over the whole civilized world. Try it, but beware of imitations. Ask for the genuine article, manufactured by Dr. J. G. B. Siegler & Sons.

"No Eye Like the Master's Eye."

You are master of your health, and if you do not attend to duty, the blame is easily located. If your blood is out of order, Hood's Sarsaparilla will purify it.

It is the specific remedy for troubles of the blood, kidneys, bowels or liver. Heart Trouble—"I had lost trouble for a number of years and different medicines failed to benefit me. Hood's Sarsaparilla and three bottles completely and perfectly cured me." Mrs. C. A. FLIN, Wallace Bridge, N. S.

A Sarsaparilla—"As I had lost five children with diphtheria I gave my remaining two children Hood's Sarsaparilla. They were subject to throat trouble and were not very strong. They are now healthier and stronger and have not since had a cold." Mrs. W. H. FLORANCE, Pembroke, Ont.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver ill; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THE MARKETS

Local Market.

A. M. HAMILTON & SONS REPORT.
London, Monday, May 21.
Wheat, white, per bu 63c to 65c
Wheat, red, per bu 63c to 65c
Oats, per bu 33c to 34c
Peas, per bu 60c to 70c
Corn, per bu 43c to 45c
Barley, per bu 33c to 35c
Rye, per bu 55c to 56c

The receipts were light. No change from Saturday.

Tested SEED Corn.

We have all the varieties that have proven of advantage in this section of country. See our stock!

A. M. HAMILTON & SONS.
373 Talbot St., near King.

The Oil Market.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 21.—Oil opened at \$1.40; closed at \$1.41.
OIL CITY, N. Y.—Oil—Credit balances, unchanged, \$1.40; no bids or sales in speculative market.

English Markets.

Ruling prices for the past week's market data. The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest prices are given.

	May 16.	May 17.	May 18.	May 19.
WHEAT—				
Red Winter.....	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
No. 1 Nor. Spring.....	5 10 1/2	5 10 1/2	5 10 1/2	5 9 1/2
Walla.....	6 3 1/2	6 3 1/2	6 3 1/2	6 2 1/2
No. 1 Cal.....	6 3 1/2	6 3 1/2	6 3 1/2	6 2 1/2
May.....	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2
July.....	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2
Sept.....	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2	5 8 1/2
CORN—				
New.....	3 11 1/2	4 0 1/2	4 0 1/2	4 3 1/2
Old.....	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
Feb.....	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
March.....	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
May.....	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0
July.....	3 10 1/2	3 10 1/2	3 10 1/2	3 10 1/2
Sept.....	3 10 1/2	3 10 1/2	3 10 1/2	3 10 1/2
Flour.....	5 3 1/2	5 3 1/2	5 3 1/2	5 3 1/2
Peas.....	5 3 1/2	5 3 1/2	5 3 1/2	5 3 1/2
Pork, prime mess.....	66 3 1/2	66 3 1/2	66 3 1/2	66 3 1/2
Lard.....	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Tallow.....	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Bacon, light.....	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
Cheese, white.....	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Cheese, colored.....	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2

The Seed Market.

London, Monday, May 21.—Messrs. John Shaw & Sons, seed merchant, of Great Maze Pond Borough, London, S.E., write that sowing orders for grass and clover seeds continue to come to hand in great numbers, season promising to be a remarkably late one. Meantime values all round show no material change, whilst stocks generally, with the exception of red clover, are in unusually narrow compass. It is noteworthy that Germany continues to buy red seed in London. Tares move off slowly at earlier rates, but rapeseed keeps steady and strong at the recent advance, while for mustard there is more inquiry. In canary seed, considerable quantities have been changing hands at advancing figures. Hempseed is 6d higher. There is a strong inquiry for Thousand Headed Kale, peas and Haricot beans are in improved request at handling rates.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, May 19.—Wheat, early, was firm on the unfavorable weather; sold off later in sympathy with the corn weakness, but closed steady. July 1/2c under Friday. July corn, closed 1/2c to 1/2c lower, and July oats a shade depressed. At the close hog products a trifle easier, but steady. In all the pits trade was quiet. New York reporting only 12,000 bushels of wheat, 1/2c to 1/2c lower, and July oats a shade depressed. At the close hog products a trifle easier, but steady. In all the pits trade was quiet. New York reporting only 12,000 bushels of wheat, 1/2c to 1/2c lower, and July oats a shade depressed.

The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat, May, 69 1/2c; July, 67 1/2c; Corn, May, 37 1/2c; July, 36 1/2c; Pork, May, 22 1/2c; July, 21 1/2c; Lard, May, 21 1/2c; July, 20 1/2c; Cash quotations: Flour, quiet; winter patents, \$3.00 to \$3.75; straight, \$2.50 to \$3.00; clear, \$2.75 to \$3.25; spring, \$2.50 to \$3.00; mixed, \$2.25 to \$2.75; spring, \$2.50 to \$3.00; No. 2 spring wheat, 62c to 66c; No. 2 red wheat, 72c to 76c; No. 2 corn, 37c to 38c; No. 2 yellow corn, 38c to 39c; No. 2 white wheat, 72c to 76c; No. 2 rye, 42c to 44c; No. 2 barley, 42c to 44c; No. 1 faxseed, 18 1/2c; No. 1 Northwest, 18 1/2c; Prime timothy seed, \$2.45; No. 1 timothy, \$2.45; No. 2 timothy, \$2.45; No. 3 timothy, \$2.45; No. 4 timothy, \$2.45; No. 5 timothy, \$2.45; No. 6 timothy, \$2.45; No. 7 timothy, \$2.45; No. 8 timothy, \$2.45; No. 9 timothy, \$2.45; No. 10 timothy, \$2.45; No. 11 timothy, \$2.45; No. 12 timothy, \$2.45; No. 13 timothy, \$2.45; No. 14 timothy, \$2.45; No. 15 timothy, \$2.45; 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LITTLE VIXEN

"It is just the loveliest May day I ever saw!" she said, as she stood, like a beautiful picture, under the arch of vines that framed the back door. "Oh, how beautiful it will be up at Cedarhurst. The grass will be like green velvet; and, although I cannot be the queen, I can dance as much as I like. Oh, I can scarcely keep my feet still now for thinking of the glorious band music and the blue sky and the flowers! Dear old father! he must wear his Sunday suit in honor of his daughter, must he not, Joseph? And I shall tease him for some of Mr. Tempest's finest roses to bring home for you."

Lettie, entering from the opposite door, her pretty hair in curl-papers, and her plump form in a pink calico wrapper, had heard her sister's words. She frowned darkly, and exclaimed: "You said you weren't going to the festival, and if I were you I'd have dignity enough to keep my word."

Vixen shrugged her shoulders expressively. "Bad promises are better broken than kept," and I was a little goose to think of missing such a splendid day just because I could not be the queen."

She retorted, good-naturedly. "All Lettie's frowns and sarcastic speeches failed to deter her from going, and after they had had their breakfast, washed up the tea-things and tidied the kitchen, and went upstairs to dress, Lettie in embroidered muslin, and immense scarlet sash, a gold chain and ear-rings, and Vixen in a soft white suit, made very simply, with a broad hem and tucks in the skirt, a wide sash of white mulled around her slim, girlish waist, a lace ruff about her oval-like throat, elbow-sleeves edged with soft lace, and a knot of blue ribbon—blue as her eyes—coquettishly pinned on her left shoulder. Her wide-brimmed white mulled hat had a bow of blue ribbon, too, and the face beneath it was very charming, with its bright, animated expression of glowing anticipation. The keen little pang of disappointment at her heart last night was almost forgotten now, and she was prepared to give precedence to black-eyed Lettie.

At 10 o'clock they set forth, with their large white parasols, for Cedarhurst, a mile away, on whose beautiful grounds the Maypole had been raised. As they reached the suburbs of the town Vixen began to hum her favorite song, "Prince Charming," in melodious undertones; but Lettie's eyes flashed luridly beneath their drooping lids, her high color paled, and her heart swelled with a new and fiercer hate. Her flushed face had not availed her much, for in another hour Vixen would know the truth and rejoice in the crown of the May Queen.

"Oh, how I wish I had smiled her white dress, honey, last night! Then she could not have come," she thought, regretfully.

They were at the entrance of the Cedarhurst grounds now, just half a mile from the grand mansion, and, passing the beautiful lily pond, with the green leaves and waxen blossoms rocking on its breast, and the willows fringing its sides, Lettie uttered a cry of delight.

"Oh, the beautiful lilies! Let us gather some!"

They both bounded forward, reaching out eager hands for the fragrant treasures.

Now was Lettie's opportunity to spoil the pretty dress.

Vixen was leaning very far over the bank, stretching out her slender, white hands eagerly. Lettie, on her side, vindictive, the girl lost her balance, reeled forward, and, with a scream of dismay, fell into the silvery pond among the water lilies.

CHAPTER IV.

There was not much danger of Vixen drowning, for the water was shallow near the bank, and besides the young girl knew how to swim. Lettie was aware of this, and she broke into a peal of mocking laughter as Vixen floundered desperately among the roots of the water lilies, her hands full of mud and slime, which she had grasped in going down, her garments drenched and muddy, her face streaming with water as she somehow righted herself by a desperate struggle, and called to Lettie:

"Give me your hands and help me out!"

Lettie drew back her white silk gloves with a shudder.

"Oh, dear, no, you would ruin my gloves and my dress," she exclaimed, heartlessly. "Catch hold of the willows and pull yourself out. It will be as easy to get out as it was to fall in."

"You pushed me in, you wicked girl!" Vixen cried indignantly, her streaming face glowing crimson through the mud and water that disfigured it. "You didn't want me to go to the festival, so you pushed me in to spoil my dress and have me go back home!"

"It was an accident," Lettie answered, laughing maliciously. "I did not push you. You leaped too far over the bank, and you fell in, that was all."

Vixen, smarting with resentment, answered never a word. She dug her hand into the slimy mud and threw a mass of it straight into Lettie's malicious face and taunting eyes, and was about to follow it up with another volley, but the girl screamed and fled in dire dismay, pausing only when at a safe distance to take her dainty handkerchief and mop her muddy face.

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and smarting eyes. Little flocks of mud and water disfigured her snowy dress all down the front, and she was obliged to run to the gate-keeper's cottage, some little distance off, and repair the damages made in her appearance before she could proceed on her way. But she had the satisfaction of seeing Lettie scramble up the bank and take her indignant way homeward in her sorry plight, and in the joy this fact afforded her all minor vexations were forgotten.

She laughed heartlessly as the muddy, bedraggled figure of her fair young rival hastened away from the pond, streams of water marking her homeward path through the bright May sunshine.

"A charming May Queen!" muttered Lettie, fiercely and mockingly. "Oh, if her Prince Charming could but see her now!"

After repairing the damage done to her appearance by Vixen's missile, she went on her way up to the terrace lawn in front of the grand mansion where by request of the mistress the Maypole was raised. The lady was somewhat of an invalid, and desired the fête to take place where she could observe it without taking the trouble to go down upon the grounds.

Lettie's heart beat fast as she crossed the green close-clipped grass to the gay groups of townspeople dotting it everywhere. She was surrounded immediately, a dozen or more asking eagerly for Vixen. Everyone seemed to have heard already that her sister was chosen queen, and she had hard work to keep the angry frowns from her face as they pressed around her with eager inquiries.

But to one and all she gave the same deceptive reply.

Lettie Vixen was quite ill with one of her terrible sick headaches and could not come, and she had sent word to the committee that she would like them to crown her sister as Queen of the May in her stead.

Many congratulations were uttered over Vixen's illness, but not one raised any objection to the substitute she offered. Certainly Lettie Jarvis, with her black eyes and rosy cheeks, was the prettiest girl on the grounds.

So in a tumult of impatience and joy Lettie awaited the hour of noon when the white hands of the glorious Tracy Tempest would place the coveted crown upon her dark hair.

At last, and they led her to the platform trembling but exultant, for she saw him—Vixen's Prince Charming—with his smiling lips, and magnetic dark eyes, bending to place the floral crown on her tresses.

Alas! brief triumph, for at that moment a shout rent the air, a hundred voices screamed excitedly:

"Wait, wait, here is Vixen herself!"

With a gasp of dismay Lettie lifted her eyes and found herself face to face with her victim of the morning—Vixen, fresh and fair and crisp as a new elm, had started from her room, all her bedraggled plumage renovated by the brisk Josephine, her cheeks flushed with running, her eyes dancing with excitement, the wind tossing the golden rings on the uncovered tresses of her prettiest little thing under the sun!

Without another thought of the dark-eyed Lettie, Tracy Tempest turned to startled little Vixen and said the words that crown her as the lovely golden head.

(To be Continued.)

ALLEGED PLOT

To Blow Up the British Fortifications at Esquimaux.

Chicago, May 21.—A special to the Times-Herald from Vancouver, B. C., says: Fenian sympathizers with the B. H. have made an attempt to blow up the British fortifications at Esquimaux. The big naval docks, where \$10,000,000 damage could have been done, was the objective point of the head of the plot, who barely escaped from the guard with their lives.

Major Bennett, of the Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles, made a statement of the circumstances Saturday. He says that three weeks ago he was commanding at the Esquimaux forts was advised to look out for the possibility of a Fenian outrage. The information came from the military authorities and with it the description of three well-known Fenians who were a few days later recognized in Vancouver. Orders were given to sentries to shoot after the failure to reply to a second challenge and to shoot to kill.

On Wednesday night, just after midnight, four men were discovered by the sentries within the line of the first outposts and they were just about to be shot when the Fenians fled in a short distance of the large marine docks of the North Pacific squadron, and two guards challenged almost simultaneously. There was no response and the dimly outlined figures touched to the ground. The guards challenged again and at this several other sentries immediately

fired. By the time a search party had been formed there was much confusion, and the men succeeded in running past the latter outposts, but the Fenians claim they will be able to recognize two. The commanding officers regard it as a certain attempt to destroy some part at least of the works. The guards have again been doubled.

NO ELEMENT OF UNCERTAINTY

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made some headway with the crowd, but free fights occurred between the supporters of the meeting and the crowd, and the Royal Infantry near by was kept busy dressing the wounds of combatants, caused by stones, bricks and clubs. A number of arrests were made, and finally the chief persons of the crowd were made stable to call out the military. The Gordon Highlanders from the Castle Barracks, then cleared the streets. At Dover, the business establishment of Mr. J. Browne, a member of the local chamber of commerce, was wrecked by a mob. The police were unable to cope with the disturbance, and the local artillery and volunteers were called out. As the rioting continued the Royal Artillery were called upon to suppress the mob. The windows of buildings adjoining Mr. Browne's were smashed. Numerous arrests were made.

BOER REPORTS.

Pretoria, May 19.—It is officially announced that the Boers will be defended. The consuls of the neutral powers have been advised to look after their citizens, as the government will not hold itself responsible for injury to persons or damage to property.

Botha, commander-in-chief of the Boer forces, reports that the burghers are joining in great numbers. The government has suggested to the British commander-in-chief an exchange of prisoners on parole.

Vrede has been proclaimed the capital of the Free State.

NOTES OF JOY.

London, May 19.—The members of the Stock Exchange amused themselves by connecting by telephone through to the Paris bourse, so that the singing of "God Save the Queen" might be heard there.

All the naval and military centers dressed ship and fired salutes. London tonight is in a state of high carnival so far as the leading thoroughfares are concerned.

One of the most curious processions of the day was formed by some hundreds of South Kensington art students of both sexes, dressed in mounted khaki-clad comrades. The girls wore thin studio smocks, and reaped a golden harvest, along the route of the parade for Lady George's. A number of the students were mounted on a car and guarded by the model of a lion.

The games of the Queen's jubilee are quite eclipsed. From provincial towns everywhere, from various points in Africa, Canada, and throughout the empire, comes the same tale of rejoicing.

BUGLE BLASTS.

A rumor is abroad in London, in pro-Boer circles that King Oscar's declaration of sympathy with Great Britain may cause him to abdicate, as it has embittered his relations with the cabinet.

Mail advices announce that the South African war has caused bad blood between the natives and British residents of Surinam, Dutch Guiana. Bands of natives parade before the British consulate, using most insulting language towards Great Britain.

Later advices mention a Dutch military officer was compelled by an officer of the Royal Mail Steamship Company to apologize for publicly insulting the British nation.

MERELY MENTIONED

New York received 15,000 immigrants last week.

Barclay Gallagher, noted newspaper editor, died in Baltimore, Md.

In the last two days more than 2,000 persons left Seattle for Cape Nome.

Mr. George Monteith, of Rossau, shot a large bear near the village.

The rejected A Battery horses sold at Kingston realized nearly \$50 each.

Cardwell Conservatives have nominated Robert Johnston as their candidate for the House of Commons.

Mrs. Walter Buckle, of Holly, Mich., was choked to death by a piece of pickle, which lodged in her throat.

The marriage of Mr. Leighton McCarthy, M. P., and Miss Muriel Campbell will take place early in June.

Mr. Beatty, a recent graduate of Knox College, has been called by the Presbyterian Church to Cobourg.

The loss by the burning of the sawmills of Klippen & Sycamore, at Chatham, on Friday, will be in the neighborhood of \$2,500.

A statue of Gen. Grant, presented by the Grand Army of the Republic, was unveiled in the rotunda of the capital at Washington.

Rev. C. K. Adams, pastor of the Gore Street Methodist Church, Hamilton, has accepted a call from the Brant Avenue Church, Brantford.

Ozias Malott, a Tilbury East farmer, while driving across the M. C. R. tracks was struck by an east-bound express and almost instantly killed.

Robert Blackmore's hardware store at St. Thomas was entered by burglars Friday night and \$150 worth of goods taken. The burglars cut through the door.

The coroner's jury has returned a verdict of death by morphine administered by person or persons unknown in the case of the late Oliver Doyle, at Rat Portage, Ont.

Valuable deposits of feldspar have been discovered in Marquette county, Mich. The only quarries of this mineral now being worked in the United States are in North Carolina.

Plans for the proposed drill hall at Windsor have been accepted. The building is to be of brick, 100 by 200 feet, on Ouellette Square, facing London street, and its estimated cost is \$30,000.

A broken wheel on a C. P. R. freight train was the cause of throwing three cars off the track and down a 40-foot embankment, between Woodbridge and Weston, fortunately without hurting anyone.

Francis G. Marshall, furniture dealer, Kingston, Ont., is missing. Thursday night he went in a skiff to Gardiner Island for a party. He got it and started for home, but never reached there.

The northern end of the Rutland-Canadian Railroad, from Burlington, Vt., to Rouse's Point, N. Y., is so far completed that freight trains are operating over it. Other parts of the road are being ballasted.

At Athens, Ont., on Friday, the home of John Green was totally consumed by fire. The family barely escaped in their night clothing. A few of the household effects were saved. There was an insurance of \$400.

A fatal accident occurred in Goldthorpe's saw mill, township of As of field, Huron county, where Carpenter, a mill hand, was caught by the foot and thrown on the large circular saw, and was cut to pieces. He leaves a young wife.

Proctor Macdonald states that the prohibition bill will be brought before the Manitoba House early this week. When asked as to the nature of the measure, he said that it would give a prohibitory law to the full extent of the power of the provinces.

Mrs. Tye and her boy, aged 5 years, were brought into the suspect tent at Winnipeg Friday evening. On examination next morning it was found that Mrs. Tye had probably saved a constituent attack of small-pox. The case of the little boy also diagnosed small-pox.

Western Ontario.

The Guelph Street Railway will shortly be connected with the C. P. R. there.

The telephone metallic line between Amherstburg and Leamington has been completed.

A number of Essex fruit growers report that the grape vines were badly damaged by frost, and that the crop this year will be very light.

Mr. John Welsh, of Exeter, has purchased L. L. Walper's farm, north of his own, paying therefor \$5,000. This gives Mr. Welsh 250 acres of land.

The ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the new St. Paul's Church, Kirkton, has been fixed for the afternoon of June 7. The Bishop of Huron will officiate.

The many friends of Mr. S. A. MacVicar, of the Sarnia Canadian, will regret to hear that he is very unwell, and his condition is a matter of serious concern to his friends.

The postmaster-general has authorized a mail service on the C. P. R. between Amherstburg and Leamington. He has requested in the resolution of the Board of trade.

Robert W. Birch, of St. Marys, son of Robert Birch, of West Zorra, has recently bought the Robert Sparling estate, adjoining the corporation of St. Marys, 100 acres, for which he paid \$10,500.

Mr. Marks, postmaster of Brucefield, died on Tuesday evening, aged 74 years. Mr. Marks has been long a resident of Brucefield, having been nearly 50 years around the spot where that little village now stands.

Archie Meloche, of Charing Cross, Kent county, has struck gas on his farm. This gas well is farther east than any struck before, and it is thought that the gas belt in South Essex extends over part of Kent.

The home of David Vansickle, Zone, was the scene of a very pretty event on Wednesday afternoon, being the marriage of his second daughter, Miss Alta, to E. H. Hesketh, C. E. R. agent, Toronto. Rev. Mr. Burton, of Florence, officiated.

Mrs. James Peter, of Normandy, died recently at her home near Orchardville. Mrs. Peter gave birth to three children, with another still unborn, when the suffering mother succumbed. One of the children, a girl, was still-born, but the other two, fine, healthy-looking boys, are still alive. Two other young children are left.

The deceased was only 29 years of age.

Squire Fellows, of Blenheim, is dead, aged over 80. He came to Canada in 1844, and had filled various positions of public trust. Mrs. Fellows predeceased her husband by two years. He leaves a family of three sons—William R. Blenheim, James Edward, Chicago; Byron Miles, Chicago, and two daughters, Mrs. John Whiteford and Mrs. James McVittie, both of Blenheim.

At the residence of Mr. George Hill, Dundas, on Wednesday, 16th inst., his youngest daughter, Mildred, was married to Mr. Alexander Mahlenbacher, of Tilsburg. Miss Vanetta M. Summers, of Aylmer, was the bridesmaid.

Miss Lettie Leach, a young niece of the bride, was maid of honor. Mr. William Mahlenbacher was groomsmen. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. D. L. Brethour, of Tilsburg.

At a meeting of the official board of Lucknow Methodist Church, Rev. John Learoyd, pastor of the congregation for the past two years, informed the members that, owing to his continued ill-health, he would be compelled to retire from the active service of the ministry at the end of the present conference year. Mr. Learoyd, who is in his 71st year, has been in the ministry for over 45 years, and during that time has filled many of the most important charges in connection with the Methodist Church in Canada.

On Wednesday afternoon there died at the home of her son-in-law, Professor Clark, in the Baptist College, Woodstock, Julia Fanny, wife of John Dutton, druggist, Stratford, aged 71 years. She leaves a husband and nine children—John W. Dutton, Mrs. D. K. Clark, (Dr. Brockett and Mrs. E. Bell, all of Woodstock; Dr. C. A. Dutton and Arthur H. Dutton, of Detroit; Mrs. G. A. Deadman, Brussels; Mrs. Thomas McGillicuddy and Miss Kate Dutton, of Toronto. The deceased was born in Southampton, England.

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QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
AT
Single First-Class Fare

Going May 23, 24; returning May 25, 1900. Following are rates to a few places of interest: London to Chatham, \$1.85; Woodstock, 85c; Windsor, \$3.40; Galt, \$1.75; Toronto, \$3.40.

A. H. Notman, Assistant General Passenger Agent, 1 King street, East Toronto.

Thomas H. Parker, City Passenger Agent, 161 Dundas street, cor. Richmond.

Allan Line Royal Mail Steamships for Liverpool, calling at Moville.

From Montreal to Quebec
First cabin, \$2.50 and upwards. Second cabin, \$2.00 and upwards. Steerage, \$2.50. New York to Glasgow. First cabin, \$50 and upwards. Second cabin, \$30. Steerage, \$25. Reduction on first and second cabin return tickets.

London agents—E. De la Hooke, T. R. Parker and F. R. Clarke.

Railways and Navigation

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

On and after Sunday, Jan. 14, 1900 the trains leaving Union Station, Toronto (via Grand Trunk Railway) at 9 a.m. and 9:30 p.m., make close connection with the Maritime Express and Local Express at Bonaventure Depot, Montreal, as follows:

The Maritime Express will leave Montreal daily except Saturday, at 11:30 a.m. and Sunday at 11:35 a.m., for Halifax, N. S. John A. B., and points in the Maritime Provinces.

The Maritime Express from Halifax, St. John and other points east, will arrive at Montreal daily except on Monday, at 5:30 p.m.

The Local Express will leave Montreal daily, except Sunday, at 7:40 a.m., due to arrive at Riviere du Loup at 6:30 p.m.

The Local Express will leave Riviere du Loup daily, except Sunday, at 12 noon and leave at 4:35 p.m., due to arrive at Montreal at 10:10 p.m.

Through sleeping and dining cars on the Maritime Express. Buffet cars on Local Express.

The vestibule trains are equipped with every convenience for the comfort of the traveler. The elegant sleeping, dining and first-class cars make travel a luxury.

THE LAND OF BIG GAME
The Intercolonial Railway is the direct route to the great game regions of Eastern Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. In this area are the finest hunting grounds for moose, deer, caribou and other big game, as well as unlimited opportunities for shooting wild geese, ducks and other birds. Bear in mind that it is easier to canoe accommodation at a late date than to secure it.

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QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

May 24, 1900.
Return tickets will be issued at SINGLE FIRST-CLASS FARE between all Stations in Canada; all Stations in Canada to and from Detroit, Mich., Port Huron, Mich., Port Covington, N. Y., Bombay, Ind., N. Y., Helena, N. Y., Niagara Falls, N. Y., Toronto, N. Y., and all Stations in Canada to, but not from Buffalo, N. Y., Black Rock, N. Y., Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Suspension Bridge, N. Y.

GOOD GOING MAY 23 AND 24.
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